

Strawberry Will Open . . . But . . . !

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STRAWBERRY — Strawberry Reservoir will open for the 1970 general fishing opener June 6.

But Wasatch County Board of Health Officials said Wednesday: "Token response to an earlier request to provide adequate sanitary conditions at the lake is not enough."

Offering the token effort in the form of 15 additional privies was the Strawberry Water Users Assn.

However, nothing appeared accomplished in meeting the greater area of concern — that of trailer court sanitation.

A group of 20 officials met Wednesday at the popular fishing spot. Agencies represented included those of SWUA, the Wasatch County Board of Health, Utah State Health Dept., Forest Service, State Fish and Game Dept., and representatives from the four Strawberry camps.

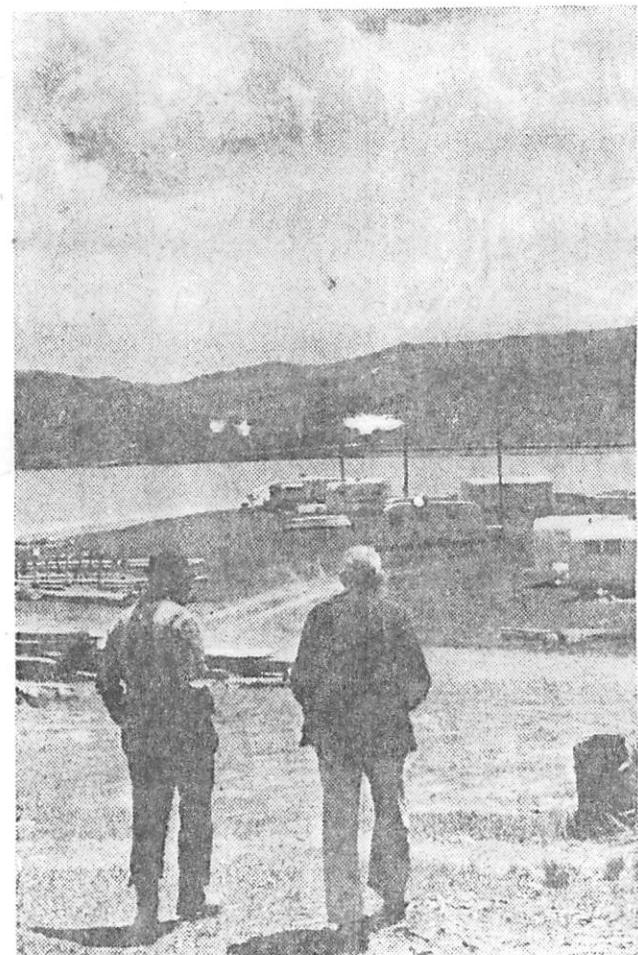
"We're going to provide the necessary groundwork to control the problem," Dr. Larry Duke, chairman of the Wasatch County Board of Health promised.

"Understand this, we would like to see 10 times the number of anglers here (Strawberry) if there were adequate facilities," he added. A crowd of 15,000 is expected for the '70 opener.

The Strawberry dilemma is more than a county concern.

Voicing the six areas of concern facing the Utah Health Dept., was State Sanitarian Supervisor Richard A. Street. He listed them:

1) Public water supply. "We have no knowledge of what is going on here," Street said, noting that recommendations would be offered and that an-



Dr. R. Raymond Green and Frank Madsen survey Madsen Camp trailer court during general inspection of major camps.

other year's study would be made. He said a "once a week" sample test is a possibility in the future.

2) Sewage disposal. "There is a lack of pit privies," he stated. He said the privy for every anticipated 100 fishermen could be met and that there is a need for dump stations. He didn't say who would accomplish this and that it wouldn't be a condition for this year. He added that some sewage flow has been corrected.

3) Litter. There must be an

organized program of pickup.

4) Regular inspection necessary. "Structurally, they are okay," he noted.

5) Rental units. Periodic inspections will continue.

6) Trailer courts. Adequate water and sewage guidelines must be met. Needs for both independent (self contained) and dependent trailers were explained in terms of drain fields and the responsibility of installing them (concessionaires).

Authority to enforce controls in the area rests with Wasatch County. "We're going to make some checks. We're going to give citations where trash pickup isn't made and violations are obvious," Dr. Duke explained.

Responsibility to meet the regulations fall with the Strawberry Water Users Assn.

"We're not generally pleased with the progress that has been made, and we're not letting our concern stop with this meeting," Duke said after surveying conditions at the four fishing camps.

Members of the Wasatch County Board of Health met early Thursday in Heber to discuss Wednesday's Strawberry session.